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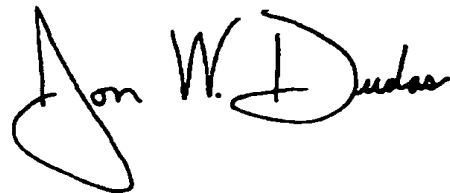
It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Title page,

Item [73], Assignee, "**PE Corporation** (NY), Foster City, CA(US)" should read  
-- **Applera Corporation**, Foster City, CA (US) --.

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